What is claimed is:

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1. A light emitting element, comprising a light emitting element layer between a first electrode and a second electrode, wherein

one of the first electrode and the second electrode is disposed as a light-emitting-side electrode on a side from which light is emitted to outside,

another one of the first electrode and the second electrode, which is formed as a back-side electrode positioned on a back side of the light-emitting-side electrode, is formed as a semitransparent electrode for partially transmitting incident light from a side of the light emitting element layer, and

an antireflective layer is provided on a back side of the semitransparent electrode.

- 2. A light emitting element according to claim 1, wherein a metal layer with a thickness reduced to a level of a thin film through which light can be transmitted or a metal layer with a mesh pattern provided with apertures for transmitting light is used in the semitransparent electrode.
- 3. A light emitting element according to claim 1, wherein an Ag layer or an MgAg layer with a thickness of 20 nm or less is used in the semitransparent electrode.

- 4. A light emitting element according to claim 1, wherein molybdenum or a chromium oxide is used in the antireflective layer.
- 5. A light emitting display, comprising a light emitting element with a light emitting element layer provided between a first electrode and a second electrode, wherein

the first electrode is formed over a transparent substrate disposed on a side from which light is emitted to outside of the display and is an electrode capable of transmitting light emitted from the light emitting element layer,

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the second electrode is formed on a back side of the first electrode so as to be opposed to the first electrode with the light emitting element layer interposed therebetween and is a semitransparent electrode for partially transmitting incident light from a side of the light emitting element layer, and

an antireflective layer is provided on a back side of the second electrode.

- 6. A light emitting display according to claim 5, wherein a
 metal layer with a thickness reduced to a level of a thin film
 through which light can be transmitted or a metal layer with a
 mesh pattern provided with apertures for transmitting light is
 used in the semitransparent electrode.
- 25 7. A light emitting display according to claim 5, wherein an Ag layer or an MgAg layer with a thickness of 20 nm or less is

used in the semitransparent electrode.

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8. A light emitting display according to claim 5, wherein molybdenum or a chromium oxide is used in the antireflective layer.

9. A light emitting display according to claim 5, the display further comprising a plurality of pixels, each pixel comprising

the light emitting element and a thin-film transistor for controllinglightemission from the light emitting element, wherein

the thin-film transistor is formed closer to the substrate than the light emitting element, and

an antireflective light-blocking layer for blocking entry of ambient light and for preventing reflection of ambient light is provided between at least a region where an active layer of the thin-film transistor is formed and the substrate.

- 10. A display, comprising an electroluminescence element with a light emitting element layer provided between an anode and a cathode, wherein
- the anode is formed over a transparent substrate disposed on a side from which light is emitted to outside and comprises an electrode capable of transmitting light emitted from the light emitting element layer,

the cathode is formed on a back side of the anode so as to be opposed to the anode with the light emitting element layer interposed therebetween and comprises a semitransparent electrode

capable of partially transmitting incident light from a side of the light emitting element layer, and

an antireflective layer is formed on a back side of the cathode.

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- 11. A display according to claim 10, wherein a metal layer with a thickness reduced to a level of a thin film through which light can be transmitted or a metal layer with a mesh pattern provided with apertures for transmitting light is used in the semitransparent electrode.
- 12. A display according to claim 10, wherein an Ag layer or an MgAg layer with a thickness of 20 nm or less is used in the semitransparent electrode.

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- 13. A display according to claim 10, wherein molybdenum or a chromium oxide is used in the antireflective layer.
- 14. A display according to claim 10, the display further
 20 comprising a plurality of pixels, each pixel comprising the
 electroluminescence element and a thin-film transistor for
 controlling light emission from the electroluminescence element,
 wherein

the thin-film transistor is formed closer to the substrate than the electroluminescence element, and

an antireflective light-blocking layer for blocking entry

of ambient light and for preventing reflection of ambient light is provided between at least a region where an active layer of the thin-film transistor is formed and the substrate.

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